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Sir:

RESPONSE

This is in response to the outstanding Office Action in the above-identified application.

Claims 1-25 stand subject to a restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. §121 as follows:

Group I - Claims 1-11, drawn to a VCSEL, classified in class 372, subclass 45; and

Group II - Claims 12-25, drawn to a method of making a VCSEL with reduced diffraction loss, classified in class 438, subclass 22+.

In response, Applicants hereby elect, without prejudice, to prosecute the invention of Group I, claims 1-11.

Applicants expressly reserve the right to prosecute all non-elected subject matter in related applications.

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